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(c) Purchasing, leasing, disposing of, and managing real estate and facilities.

(d) Contracting for the design and construction of facilities.

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## § 228.5 Procurement and Supply Department—Procurement and Materiel Management Service Centers.

Procurement and Materiel Management Service Centers are responsible for:

(a) Contracting for supplies, services, and equipment.

(b) Maintaining systems for inventorying equipment and supplies.

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## § 228.6 Rates and Classification Department.

Rates and Classification Service Centers are responsible for:

(a) Managing, for a geographic area, the rates and classification activities related to rates schedules, mail classification, and statistical systems, including guiding and monitoring bulk mail acceptance, mailing requirements, data collection programs in divisions, and providing classification rulings.

(b) Providing decisions on authorizations and rulings that enable customers to exercise mailing privileges for various classes of mail and service.

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## § 228.7 Human Resources Group.

Human Resources Service Centers are responsible for:

(a) Processing personnel actions and maintaining personnel records for the regional office and the service centers.

(b) Implementing the Human Resources Information System (HRIS) in the field and training all users.

(c) Providing administrative support, technical guidance, and case processing for Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO), Merit Systems Protection Board (MSPB), and nonbargaining appeals.

(d) Overseeing all safety and health programs and issues, and responding to incidents or inquiries involving industrial hygiene.

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(e) Coordinating the scheduling of all arbitration cases with arbitrators, union representatives, and field employees.

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### § 229.1 Regions.

(a) *General.* The Regions are responsible for monitoring the performance of postal operations; assessing long-term solutions to operating problems; and performing long-range operational planning.

(b) *Functional Units.* Each region is headed by a Regional Postmaster General who reports to the Deputy Postmaster General. Each region is organized into five functions: Finance, Human Resources, Marketing and Communications, Operations Support, and Planning, as follows:

(1) Finance is responsible for all accounting, budgeting, financial analysis, and management information programs.

(2) Human Resources is responsible for all employee and labor relations programs.

(3) Marketing and Communications is responsible for commercial accounts and merchandising programs, market and product analysis, and for providing information to the public and employees.

(4) Operations Support is responsible for operations planning and monitoring the performance of the mail processing network.

(5) Planning is responsible for long-range planning for the region and for support services to the regional building.

(c) *Regional areas*—(1) *Central region.* The headquarters for the Central Region is in Chicago, IL. The regional area is made up of the states of Colorado, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas,